

part is concerned. How do you say assigned to him? Was it not *Poramboke* land that was encroached by him?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—I can answer that. But I shall have to spend a lot of time. The Hon'ble Member knows very well what a bit of demarcation means. No explanation from me is necessary for that. Therefore, having explained as to what a margin of demarcation or encroachment is, I shall deal with the matter. I have no objection to give an explanation. The Hon'ble Member, I know, is in possession of the full particulars. So there is no necessity to waste the time of the House like this.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—The question is has he encroached. Yes or no?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The term 'margin of demarcation' has two meanings. That is to say encroachment can be if he is in occupation of the land. It may be taken as an encroachment. It may be a margin without the man's possession. It may be eliminated and leased to him and he may be allowed to occupy. There are thousands and thousands of cases like this. If there is any one who knows it well, it is the Hon'ble Member representing the Land-holders.

Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.—Why was it included in this property? You do not give a straight answer to that question.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—The answer may be put in this way. He was found to have encroached upon a margin of demarcation. After inspection and settlement it was found to be a margin of demarcation, and he was allowed to occupy.

Dr. A. G. Menon.—That is a straight forward answer, and most convincing too.

Muslim Educational Committee.

46. **Mr. K. Mohamed Seethi.**—Will the Government be pleased to state what functions have been assigned to the Muslim Educational Committee which they have formed?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—The Committee is advisory to the Department in matters connected with Muslim Education.

Condition of certain bridges in the Poyya Panchayat.

47. **Mr. I. E. Ambooken.**—Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received a communication from the President of the Poyya Panchayat, stating that the two bridges in the Poyya-Mala road are in such a condition that danger of collapse may be apprehended and so steps should be